



## STAYED IN TREE FOR FIVE HOURS

If a fellow feels counts for anything, R. L. (Bob) Woodman of Lake Worth, ought to be exceedingly popular with the people who were in the Everglades during the flood of 1928, for he was far from the flood waters at the time and the flood waters caught him, swept his house away and he was forced to spend the remainder of the night awaiting to a tree top.

But Bob Woodman does not want to be a member of the Everglades "Flooded" Beach county to vote for the Clerk of the Criminal Court of Record in the Democratic primary of June 3, for that reason, as he believes that nothing but fitness for the office should be considered by the voters. He is running on this platform and his fitness is shown by his experience and ability.

Bob Woodman was born in southern Missouri 32 years ago and his mother's maiden name was Adeline Nichols of Tennessee. His father was a farmer and Bob has always had leanings that way. He was educated in the country schools of Missouri, at West Plains College, took a law course and was admitted to practice in 1909. While in school he was a school to get money to attend law course, then was elected deputy clerk of the Circuit Court of Dent county, Mo., assistant secretary of state of Missouri for two years and came to Lake Worth in search of health for his daughter in 1912. He found it and returned in 1917 to his home and phone exchange. He did this and opened it until 1925, when his company sold out to the Lake Worth Bell. Then he was city judge of Lake Worth, commissioner of the South Lake Worth Water Works, but has never asked for county or state office. He is an Elk, Modern Woodmen, Odd Fellows, and married Miss Lena A. Skinner of Missouri and they have four children, all grown and in the city.

He is the only candidate for the office of clerk of the Criminal Court of Record living outside of West Palm Beach. He has farmed in the Everglades for several years and while he lives in Lake Worth, nothing pleases him more than to visit the Glades and make things fern. He believes that the permanency of agriculture in this section is assured by the action of the United States government in projecting water control.

During the World War, Bob volunteered for service in Red Cross work, was accepted and ready to go across when the Armistice was effected.

## SCOTCHMAN SITS ON MONEY BOX

Reverting to his central complex of keeping money until he can exchange it for something he is dead sure in worth much more, E. G. Kilpatrick, cashier and executive vice president of the Bank of Pahokee, with the cooperation of his associates, brought his bank and his community through the 1929-30 "dance of millions" without the loss of a step, and is still sitting on the money of his community giving it out when the apparition is ready and able when the lure of gold tends to upset the reason of his fellows.

E. G., as his friends call him, was born in Jefferson county, Fla., in 1856 and is yet young in years, in his prime. As his name indicates, he is of Scotch-Irish extraction, combining in his life, the better qualities of both. He had a high school education in Marianna, Fla., and on graduation in 1912, secured a position in the First National Bank of Marianna which he held for ten years except while fighting for his country. At the outbreak of hostilities between Germany and the United States, he became a private in the 3rd Infantry 9th Division and after a period of training at Westworth and Service, sent to the front where he was killed in the Meuse-Argonne and Vosges Mountain sectors, was promoted to corporality, and was transferred to the Central Records office at St. Bourges. He returned to the United States and was honorably discharged from service in July, 1919, taking up the work in the Marianna Bank. Subsequently he married Miss Esther L. Lee of Marianna and the couple have been three blessed—three children having come to them, Henry, Edward, Esther and Alvin. When the Bank of Pahokee was organized in 1922, Mr. Kilpatrick was elected the first president. He accepted the position and has since then been a member of the Blue Lodge at Pahokee, member Lake Worth Chapter, Southern Rite, Chapter, Community Knights, Tulipar, Marianna, Morocco Temple, A. A. O. M. S., Jacksonville and Worthy Palms, O. E. S., of which his son, Miss Lillian,

is Grand Matron for Florida, member of and treasurer of the Rotary Club at Pahokee.

The Bank of Pahokee, of which Mr. Kilpatrick is cashier and executive vice president, was organized in 1922 with a capital of \$15,000 and \$2,500 surplus. Its business consisted of taking care of the money of farmers and merchants in its vicinity and having them required to visit the bank in the Everglades. The bank has grown consistently and while the "dance of millions" tried its sinews in the breaking point, it came through with its head up and now has \$35,127.58 on deposit. As an indicator of the prosperity of the East Beach area, its deposits in March 1929 aggregated \$222,933.81 or \$123,679.57 less than in April 1930, and its loans were considerably reduced. The officers and directors of the bank are: Dr. W. H. Lair, president; Dr. D. R. Spooner, first vice president; Mr. Kilpatrick, cashier; and Mr. Lair, assistant cashier. Frank Friend and O. B. McClure, directors with the executive offices. The bank is locally owned and operated and confines its activities to its own community. Its credit is 100 percent and it seldom uses its financial resources in the unproductive wealth in the surrounding country. As 1930 year-end is liquidated, it will continue to grow and fulfill its obligations to its community. Its safety is assured by the fact that a Scotman sits on the lid of the money box.

## LURE OF GLADES CALLS HIM BACK

Different men have different ruling passions, some one line which out pulls all others in determining the course of their lives. With Elvin A. Bass, one of the two attorneys at Pahokee, the ruling passion is the lure of the Everglades. On the shores of which he spent his boyhood, Elvin has lived for many years and has never returned to the city to establish his permanent home. Elvin was born in Kalamazoo, Mich., in 1893, and he was in the Everglades for several years, married Miss Maria V. Goss, and has three children. He is the original "river man" of the Kalamazoo-Okeechobee region, running a fleet of fishing and freight boats long before Governor Broward started to drain the lake. When Elvin was three years of age, Captain Bass moved to Eagle Bay, west of the mouth of the Kalamazoo river, and there Elvin passed his boyhood with the fishermen, alligators, muskrat and wild cats—not unlike one of them nor like unto them in character. Captain Bass later moved to Okeechobee, then to West Palm Beach, where Elvin attended his grammar and high school, practicing with the class of 1922. He participated at John B. Stetson University Law College in the fall of 1922, graduated with the degree of LL.B. with the class of 1927, and opened his office in West Palm Beach. He opened a branch office in Pahokee in 1928, and on Dec. 1, 1929, moved his main office to Pahokee for good. He was married to Miss Margaret Clark of Edinburg, Md., in June, 1926. He is a member of the Delta Sigma Phi and Phi Alpha Delta fraternities, was vice-president of his law class, is town attorney of Pahokee, and vice-president and one of the incorporators of the South Florida Free Road commission to make Overseas highways out from Miami to the Pahokee Rotary club and of the Mahanadi church.

Elvin has the qualities of an engineer and predictions that he will go far in his profession and in public affairs will not be far wrong.

World war was assigned to the Coast Artillery at Jackson, Ark., near Orleans. After the war, he came to West Palm Beach and resumed his profession as expert accountant. Long years in this work has taught him how to economize, systematize records and keep expenses down. He is a taxpayer in Palm Beach county and has a direct personal interest in keeping costs of government as low as possible without reducing efficiency. This he believes is the crying need at this time and that he should be elected, those who know him, know that he will practice what he preaches. That's his motto.

Mrs. Owens' maiden name was Helen P. Moody. He is an Elk, a member of the American Legion, affiliated with the Methodist church. South. His hobbies are working, hunting and fishing. Ever so often he spends days with rod and gun, spends days in the marshes, sections of Florida engaged in his favorite pastime. He is a busy man, however, and is diligent in his private business. This is the best assurance that he will be diligent in public affairs if he is given the opportunity. He expects to attend the Everglades Fair and Ocean Festival and become more intimately acquainted with the people of the lake region whom he admires for their courage and perseverance in the face of odds which would have stopped most people.

## EXPERT ACCOUNTANT OFFERS HIS SERVICES

Palm Beach county is a large, arduous task that it has so many competent, experienced citizens who are willing to serve it in the various offices. Among these is W. A. (Gus) Owens of West Palm Beach, who has for years served the people as an expert accountant, having many thousands of dollars worth of clients in taxes which they would have paid had they not been for his assistance. He now offers his services in the office of clerk of the Criminal Court of Record on a platform of economy and efficiency.

Gus was born in Canton, Miss., in March, 1881, where his father was sheriff for as long as he can remember. His mother's maiden name was Miss Marie Maxwell, her parents being of fine old Southern families. He went to the common and high schools in his native city and took an accounting course in the University of Mississippi. He was in the U. S. Army in the Panama Canal Zone, where he served until 1912, when he received the commission of Florida. He has been in the beginning of his

possibility of his former home town. S. R. Copper, reporting officially on present rainfall, gave it as 1.55 at this station on (Monday) beginning of week.

O. P. Knutson made two shipments of beans since the recent rainy weather. Visitors to Okelanta have been few of late notwithstanding the improved road.

## TO THE VOTERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

I became a candidate for representative in the legislature from Palm Beach county, subject to the Democratic primary of June 3, and the general election, because I was requested to do so by a large number of persons interested in legislation which I personally favor.

No. 1. Any bill necessary for a continuance of the development of the Everglades in a progressive and conservative manner with a view of increasing the prosperity and financial stability of the entire county.

No. 2. Equitable tax laws.

No. 3. Stronger banking laws to protect the depositors.

No. 4. A workman's compensation act.

No. 5. Provisions for the care and protection of indigent persons.

No. 6. More economy in the state's government so that taxes may be lowered, especially those now paid on motor vehicles.

No. 7. School laws guaranteeing full school term and adequate salaries for teachers.

He has expressed a desire, if elected, to co-operate with the residents and leading citizens of this section in sponsoring legislation affecting their interests.

He congratulates the American Legion, as well as the others who have made the Bean Festival possible, saying that it is a most excellent method of expressing their civic pride in their community.

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## NATIVE SON SEEKS LEGISLATIVE SEAT

Native Palm Beach counties are rare and until a few years ago it was almost impossible to find a native son sufficiently able and enough to be active in public affairs. Conditions are changing, however, and now we have a native son in the person of R. K. Lewis, born in West Palm Beach, Florida in 1900. Mr. Lewis is the son of H. W. Lewis, a native of Alabama, and of Miss Mamie McGregor, native of Texas. He is of French descent, himself a representative for Palm Beach county in the Florida Legislature.

Mr. Lewis has lived in Florida all his life, received his common schooling in the public schools of West Palm Beach and his degree of Bachelor of Law with the class of 1924 at the University of Florida. He is a member of the Phi Delta

Phi, Phi Kappa Phi and Alpha Sigma Epsilon fraternities, and was one of the leading debaters at his alma mater, winning many of his contests. He was admitted to the bar in 1924 and practices in all the courts, specializing in civil work. Upon admission to the bar, he joined the firm of M. D. Carlinchard, and has remained with this firm since.

Mr. Lewis has never before offered himself for public office, but has been an interested student in public affairs, interested at all times in the welfare of his city, county and state.

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## BANK OF PAHOKEE

### PAHOKEE

Miss Layde Thompson, Miss Easie Wilson, Miss Oretta Thompson, accompanied by Clyde Crosby, visited in West Palm Beach Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Powell and mother, Mrs. M. Thompson, visited in Stuart, Fort Pierce and Okechobee Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Swain accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McGuffin moved to Boynton.

Mrs. Jessie Bacter was taken to a hospital in Miami Saturday.

Mrs. H. O. Mitchell of South Bay visited friends in Pahokee recently.

J. E. Hawkins is able to be up again after suffering from several attacks of acute indigestion. Raymond Caruthers who has been suffering from blood poisoning, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Cross and family and Mrs. R. Douglas, visited friends at Indiantown recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Batchelor moved in the house formerly occupied by J. C. Stapler. Mr. and Mrs. Stapler have moved to a house on the lake front.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McGuffin returned to their home at Indiantown.

Delray Beach after spending the winter in Pahokee. While here they operated the Dixie Hotel.

OUR LITTLE THEATER

A three-act play, "The Mummy and the Kung-Fu," was presented Tuesday evening, May 6, to an appreciative audience in the Pahokee school auditorium.

The interest centered around the missing mummy in an exclusive girls' school. The play was sponsored by the Pahokee Woman's Club and was directed by Mrs. E. T. Parker.

Mrs. Parker has been intimately connected with the Little Theater movement that is sweeping the country. Previous to coming to Pahokee she was one of the board of managers of the Lakeland Community Players, Inc.

Mrs. Parker has a personality that reaches out across the footlights and as Miss Laidlaw in the cast, she was thoroughly charming.

Glady Dowda pleased her audience in the role of Maude Mullin, an Eastern girl, and was a convincing argument "why gentleness prefer blondes." She represents youth, life, gaiety and fun.

The audience liked Christine Cochran in her interpretation of Ann Hammon. Her playing was of exceptional quality.

Mrs. Marguerite Bass as Phoebe Beebe, the reporter on the staff of the "Daily Deliverance," played with such realism that it savored of the professional.

Allen Crowley and William "Duke" Brown distinguished themselves for clever acting. As Francis Briscoe and William Laidlaw they were much at home before the footlights.

Luke Fraser as James Salmon was outstanding. He proved himself in his performance of "Rackety," the man with three men's work to do—but doesn't do it.

In his pleasant, princely way, Marshall Fair faithfully portrayed Sir Hector, the English archeologist, who impersonated the mummy.

Charles Barfield as the sheriff who "saw his duty and done it," played convincingly. As a wise thinker and rather dumb, he was an officer who always got his man.

Mrs. Pat Ralston played a popular piano number and William Harrison gave the chromatic harp solos between acts. Each rendition was well received.

Mrs. Mabel Lutz as Duke Dink, "beautiful but dumb," was a delightful contribution to the theater.

### PAHOKEE SCHOOL

MAY DAY PROGRAM

Last Thursday afternoon was given entirely to a May Day program. During the first part of the afternoon the grammar grades took part in athletic events. Then at 3 o'clock there was a field meet.

Between Canal Point and Pahokee High schools. Many interesting and exciting contests were held on the campus just behind the Pahokee High school building.

The events and winners were as follows:

Class 1, 100 yard dash, Louis Goss, first; Leon Spooner, second.

Class 2, 50 yard dash, Iva Mock, first; Imogene Saunders, second.

Class 3, 50 yard dash, Emory Sears, first; Horace Uwin, second.

Class 4, 50 yard dash, Lois Poole, first; Elizabeth Stueck, second.

Class 1, baseball throw, Larkin Spooner, first; John Padgett, second.

Class 2, baseball throw, Carolyn Mock, first; Grace Mahan, second.

Class 3, baseball—throw, Doss Tabb, first.

Class 4, baseball throw, Pearl Wheeler, first.

Class 1, basket ball throw, Emma Elliott, first; C. L. Wilder, second.

Class 2, basket ball throw, Imogene Saunders, first; Gethie Smith, second.

Class 3, basket ball throw, Junior Carson, first.

Class 4, basket ball throw, Adine Wilder, first; Vontelle Spooner, second.

Class 1, relay 400 yards, Pahokee team.

Class 2, relay 200 yards, Pahokee team.

Class 3, relay 200 yards, Canal Point team.

Class 4, relay 200 yards, Pahokee team.

Class 1, chinning the bar, George Cranford, first, Lewis Crosby, second.

Class 2, chinning the bar, Elizabeth Stueck, first; Vontelle Spooner, second.

Class 3, chinning the bar, Arthur Spooner, first; Cleve Cranford, second.

Class 4, chinning the bar, Donna Tyner, first.

Sack Races—50 Yards.

Class 1, J. R. Miller, first (default).

Class 2, Bessie Allen, first (default).

Three-Legged Races

Class 1, Leon and Stewart Spooner, first; L. A. Bass and Thomas Elliot, second.

Class 2, Marjorie Cochran and Adine Wilder, first; Vernet Stueck and Grace Mahan, second.

Running High Jump

Class 1, Jack Wynn, first; Larkin Spooner, second.

Class 2, Wilson Ludlum, first.

Standing Broad Jump

Class 1, Stewart Spooner, first; Louis Goss, second.

Class 2, Imogene Saunders first; Vontelle Spooner, second.

Class 3, Doss Tabb, first; Harvey Arrington, second.

Class 4, Edna Pearl Wheeler, first.

Pato Race

Boys, Leon Spooner, first; girls, Nettie Jones, first.

Egg-Hitting Contest

Ethel Vinson, girls; Stewart Spooner, boys.

Social News

RUTH SIMONSON.

Woodrow Cranford was absent from school Wednesday.

Park Wilder was a visitor in West Palm Beach Wednesday.

The members of the Senior High Club girls are taking part in the Bean Festival.

Park Wilder has been absent from school on account of illness in the family.

Ottis Vinson was absent from school on account of illness.

Iva Johns has been absent from school on account of illness in the family.

Lois Crosby was absent from school this week on account of the illness of her mother.

Willard Avant was absent from school on account of illness.

CELEBRATED SUGAR ENGINEER IS EVERGLADES RESIDENT

After having constructed canals in China at Atchafalaya, Stewart, Louisiana, Algoune, and Estrella Palma, W. G. Ames is living at Clewiston and holding the position of chief engineer of construction for the Southern Sugar Company.

Mr. Ames is a graduate of Vanderbilt University and holds the degree of civil engineer and electrical engineer. On graduation he specialized in the construction of sugar producing mills and machinery, a business in which he was engaged for 25 years. During this time he was a member of the firms of Smith & Ames, Ames & Chisholm, sugar engineers of Havana, New York, internationally known for their successful construction work in this field.

In 1926, when the promoters of the Southern Sugar Company were combing the world for a man sufficiently big and experienced to handle successfully a fifty million dollar project, they selected Mr. Ames and brought him to Clewiston. When he arrived he began the designing and construction of the first sugar house on the shores of Lake Okechobee and modernized the Canal Point mill, and on December 1, 1929, completed the three and one-half million dollar sugar mill at Clewiston. This mill has a capacity of 4,500 tons of cane per day and at the present rate of sugar producing at maximum capacity is capable of turning out 500 tons of sugar, or 720,000 pounds. While the equipment is completely electrified and fitted to produce farmers' granulated sugar, the company finds it more economical with the low freight rates to Savannah, to produce commercial brown and send it by rail to the refinery for clarification.

EAT EVERGLADES PIES, CAKES and BREAD

East Beach Bakery

METHODIST CHURCH

Mother's Day Sunday. There will be sermon for mothers.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m.

Praying services will be announced at the morning hour. We are glad to see you when you come, and shall do our best to be true to you and to our Christ.

JESSIE J. JONES, Pastor.

THANKS FROM "PETE"

I wish to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation for the kindness of the voters of the town of Pahokee who supported me and assured my re-election to the office of marshal.

F. R. HARRISON.

CALLEES

B. S. Ashton of West Palm Beach, was a caller in Canal Point Saturday. One of his missions was to call on W. R. Blackford, who is

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### WHAT IS A LUXURY, ANYWAY?

A form of "tax relief" is wanted, indeed, demanded—by the owners of city lots, cut-over lands and ocean frontage, and they call for a general tax on sale of merchandise to consumers in the state, the proceeds of the sale to apply for the benefit of their real estate. Some of the owners of large tracts of real estate limit their demand to a tax on luxuries, and would exclude the groils and bacon of the working people.

A luxury tax might be all right, and that opens the question, what is a luxury?

Is a mansion on the ocean front a necessity or a luxury? Should the property of the Phelps family on the ocean front at Palm Beach be taxed for "tax relief" or taxed as a luxury?

These are questions the Palm Beach delegation in the Florida Legislature will have to find out when the sales tax bill comes before them at the next session.

### THEIR UNRELIABLE JUDGMENT.

Voters in the Everglades section of Palm Beach county are not likely to be much impressed by expression of the opinion of the "big men" of West Palm Beach or of Palm Beach, either, for that matter. The "big men" have not proved the possession of sound judgment.

A few years ago the big men in the eastern part of the county were strong for bond issues; they initiated the bond issue of \$600,000 to widen the Dixie highway, although State Road No. 4 was authorized and was built on another route, and the widened Dixie highway was abandoned.

It was the "big men" who wrecked the bank and lost Palm Beach county a million dollars that was on deposit and unprotected by the proper security and lost millions of dollars to small depositors. "Big men" were as crazy in their appraisals of real estate values as were any of the "little men." They have not earned a right to require that a form of taxation be devised to reimburse them for the losses their bad judgment brought on them.

### CHAIN STORES AND OTHER CHAINS

Everyone must agree at once that hardships have been worked on the independent merchants by the extension of the chain store system and that the future of economic changes pointed by the opponents of the chain stores is a correct picture. But what is the complete picture and a correct statement of all the factors?

The independent merchants are very much concerned with what is happening to them, and they see their own destruction, and they see the destruction of others that they do not see conditions that affect other citizens. There is a time when even the small "wagon and buggy factory" that was before the time of automobiles, and now the small "wagon and buggy" are made in Detroit and Toledo and Cleveland, an economic process with which the decay of small towns started. Railroads hurt the towns on rivers that had grown up on water transportation. The independent merchants probably want good roads, but good roads have made a means by which more people leave the small towns than go to them.

Power companies have extended their lines to the new towns and have absorbed electric light plants in small towns—there is a chain system. The chain bank system is developing and growing in Florida. The big town papers are cutting into the territory of the small city papers; the West Palm Beach city papers are hurt by the competition of the Miami dailies. Daily papers are being merged into dailies. Owners of independent "beaters" were crowded out years ago—there is a complete monopoly in the entertainment business. Many hotels in Florida formerly under separate ownership are now controlled by one corporation. How are the owners of small stores to escape the fate of the proprietors of other businesses?

This is not to say that the chain system is the proper system, for probably it is not, but the chain system is the system of the independent merchants to maintain themselves in the face of a general tendency to the chain system. Whether this tendency is sound, for if it is, it can only be defeated by a joining of efforts of all who are hurt by it and it is not likely it can be defeated by the independent merchants alone.

## PUBLIC AFFAIRS

By HOWARD SHARP

Are the members of the loan committee of the Chase National Bank of New York books? They are to loan the Land Company of Florida a million and a half on 90,000 acres of wild land in Palm Beach, Martin and Okeechobee counties, land of the kind that President Sherman of the Florida Land Owners Association advises the owners not to pay taxes on. The whole amount of the mortgage is an amount that is equal to an average of \$40 an acre. Will any member of the legislature from Palm Beach county vote to tax the food and clothing of the common people of this county for the benefit of the non-resident owners of \$40 an acre land?

Frank E. Comer, a candidate for representative from Charlotte county, says: "The campaign for a sales tax is an attempt on the part of the big land holders to relieve themselves of their just taxes and place the tax on the baby's milk, the occasional fee of a man of the little tots." That quotation is an evidence of the bitterness the sales tax proposal has created. I share that feeling fully. When Lucie Smith of the Lake Worth Herald jumped on me for my course in the Legislature I asked her what other course she proposed, and she said a sales tax. I want to know who else in Palm Beach county besides the Phelps family and the Dixie Beach is in favor of that form of tax. "Chic" Byrd of Delray Beach is said to be an attorney for the Phelpses and I am told he is counted on to support the sales tax for that reason. I don't want to believe it, but I shall be glad to hear from Mr. Byrd on the subject. He ought to have an opinion; one who has an opinion is bound to appear as lacking in judgment or courage. There is, of course, no question of the Legislature for the Legislature is the taxation votes and print the opinions.

I have asked callers at my office who it is that tells them that public sentiment of Palm Beach county favors a general sales tax and one of them says it is the Palm Beach Taxpayers Association and "the boys at the court house"—Sheriff Barker and Assessor Owen and Collector Roy O'Bannon, and Orrin Randolph and M. D. Curran. I don't think that they can elect a candidate for representative on that issue but if they persist in it they can make a good deal of trouble for themselves and the Democratic party.

The original Dixie Carlton men in Palm Beach county and I understand take it that Colonel Carlton does not reflect Governor Carlton's view on the sales tax if Colonel Carlton actually is an advocate of the tax.

Two forms of taxation relief are proposed. One is a reduction of the costs of government, the other is the sales tax. By one method the fees of the tax assessor, sheriff and collector would be increased by the other the food and clothing of the mass of the people would be subjected to an additional tax, to provide revenue to continue the present scale of tax to county of the big land holders and the "boys at the courthouse" have too much political sense to begin with the big land holders and get against the majority of the voters.

The Democratic legislature of the state of Florida doesn't dare jeopardize the defeat of the party in the next national election by passing a sales tax, for as we have pointed out before, an issue in the next campaign must be a high tax bill. The Florida legislature at the 1931 session will have just put through Congress which increases the cost of living to the tax of low wages and unemployment. The proposed sales tax is worse than the Republican tariff, for it will increase the cost of living and have no corresponding benefit except to the non-resident owners of large and valuable tracts of real estate. Don't it will suit the big land holders of Florida to go Republican for daylight most of them are Republicans, any how, but most of the members of the Florida legislature at the 1931 session will have taken an oath that they are Democrats. It will be very perilous the next session of the legislature will have in it. As for me, I am a Democrat.

If the two representatives from Palm Beach county in the legislature do support a sales tax bill it will be a treat to see how the representatives from north Florida, who have been in Florida long enough to know how to get on, are going to be right there and applaud them when they do the coupling.

## CHEMICAL ENGINEER MANAGING HUGE AGRICULTURE PROJECT

The application of big business methods and practice is being applied to farming in the Everglades by W. C. Lord, for the past five years manager of the Brown Plantation at Shawnee, located about 15 miles southeast of Belle Glade, on the south side of the Hillsboro Canal. Mr. Lord was born in 1893 at Wilmington, N. C., where his father was engaged in the insurance business. His mother was Miss Kate Cameron of that city.

Mr. Lord was educated at the high schools at Wilmington, took his Bachelor of Arts at the University of Arts at Wilmington, N. C., and specialized in chemical engineering at Richmond College, Richmond, Va. On finishing this course he entered the employ of the DuPont Powder Company at Hopewell, V., where he remained until the outbreak of the war, when he was drafted for government service in the construction of powder mill at the Old Hickory Works at Nashville, Tenn.

After the war he entered the employ of General Motors at Pontiac and Detroit, Mich., then went back to the DuPont Company. Through this latter connection he was employed by the Equitable Trust Company of New York in the liquidation of chemical plants which had been built for war purposes. This work threw him in with the Brown Company of Maine, who was seeking a man with experience and a training which would fit him to handle a large agricultural project for the production of peanuts, the oil of which is used by the Brown Company in the manufacture of vegetable fat. When the Brown Company brought the 70,000 acres on the Hillsboro Canal and Mr. Lord was made general manager. He has held this position for the past five years, evidently to the satisfaction of his employers, as they are extending their development and increasing their investments.

Mr. Lord is married, Miss Ruth Johnson of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and they have one son, William A. Lord, who is studying to grow up like a "pig weed" and has never had a day's sickness since he was born in the Everglades. Mr. Lord is not a "liver," but is a member of the Episcopal church. He has the confidence of his employers, the respect of his subordinates, and the affectionate regard of a large circle of friends, and his family lived at Shawnee, and have been there continuously in spite of high water and other obstructions.

### COMMISSIONER MATTHEWS

(Miami Herald.)  
At this critical time in the citrus and vegetable history of Florida, the candidacy of Eugene S. Matthews for re-election to the Florida railroad commission takes on a greater importance than would ordinarily attach to a race for an office not much in the public eye.

Mr. Matthews was the man who got the strawberry growers of Florida exposed refrigerator cars to under conditions to their great advantage, and this alone, in the opinion of the Florida Court, should entitle him to the favorable consideration of all fruit and vegetable growers and shippers.

"While for the present this exposed refrigerator car service only touches the movement of strawberries from Florida, it is bound to be extended and result finally in a more expeditious service, and consequently a wider area of distribution for many of the perishable products of Florida," continues the Courier. "When we have in office a man so capable of doing big things as occasion arises for them to be done, it certainly would be unwise to make a change simply because others would like to occupy the position and draw the salary."

Mr. Matthews was appointed to the railroad commission to fill a vacancy arising during the administration of Governor Cary A. Hardee. He is owner of the Episcopal Court Telegraph, and from 1900 to 1923 was a member of four legislatures, rising to be speaker of the house in one term. His public service has been rather remarkable for faithfulness to the public trust, and for the pursuit of clean and open politics.

### COMMENT BY READERS IN REMITTANCE LETTERS

"We like the paper and like to hear about how things are going in the Everglades."—A. L. Burgess, Oage City, Kans. (Mr. Burgess owns land on the north side of the canal, three miles east of Canal Point.)

"I bought land near the lake in 1914 and look forward with pleasure to the arrival of The Everglades News each week."—Cliff Fruch, Patterson, N. J.

"I shall have to ask you to stop sending the paper for a while. I like your paper but our miles around here are all closed, as with and at \$5.00 and silver around the per ounce the miles cannot operate and there is a financial stridency."—Max Darius, Wallace, Idaho.

## CELEBRATED C.E. NOW IN EVERGLADES

Possibly no section of the U. S. has for its inhabitants people of as widely diversified character as the upper Everglades. This is exemplified in the person of R. Y. Patterson, the superintendent of transportation of the Southern Sugar Company.

Mr. Patterson was born in Pottsville, Pa., 1880, his father being R. F. Patterson and his mother, Miss Mary E. Opydyk. Indicating that the subject of this sketch is of English-Dutch extraction. His father was a teacher in the public schools of the home city for forty-one years, being superintendent much of the time. R. Y. was educated in the public schools but had no college education, having acquired knowledge of engineering while working.

He began regular work in 1900 in railroad construction, was for four years in Mexico as resident engineer of the Chihuahua Railroad. Then he worked on the Frisco-Southern Pacific; Boston & Albany; New York, New Haven & Hartford and New York Central and finally came to Pensacola, Florida where he located and built the Gulf, Florida & Alabama railroad. During the war he was assistant chief engineer of the Port of Harbor Board, U. S. A., and came to Palm Beach county as vice president of Will's Sons & McCarty, who completed drainage in the Lake Worth drainage district. Then he built the "Common Highway" and accepted a position with the Southern Sugar Company as director of transportation of that corporation two years ago.

Mr. Patterson married Miss Christine Johnson of Pensacola and they have two children, David and Dick.

He is a Scottish Rite Mason and member of the Elks Lodge of Birmingham, Ala. After living and working in practically all parts of the United States, Mr. Patterson is confirmed in his opinion that no section offers the opportunities of the upper Everglades, the area, and that with the co-operation of the U. S. government, state and local authorities, water control, the last deserving element to permanency is being removed.

### Tax Collector Makes A Splendid Record

Reversion to type is frequent in organized life and often the doer is rather of a more perfect type than numbers of his associates.

This law of reversion to type is exemplified in Roy O'Bannon, the present tax collector of Palm Beach county. To associate with him is to return to the ideas of Killenbury and to the halls of ancient Irish kings. His geniality, his sense and courteous and staunchness of character, loyalty to his ideals typifies the best in old Irish ancestry.

Roy O'Bannon, however, is a native Floridian and combines in himself all that is good in the state. He was born at Trilby, Fla., November 12, 1885, educated in the schools of Sarasota county, took a business course at Manay Business college in Jacksonville, and entered the insurance business at West Palm Beach. He entered the World War in 1917, enlisted in the U. S. navy, and during the entire period, until August, 1919, he was trained in radio work in Cambridge, Mass., and studied at the naval instruction station at Harvard university. Upon being mustered out, Mr. O'Bannon returned to West Palm Beach and handled insurance business for one year, when he was appointed deputy county tax collector, which position he held for four years. In 1924 he was elected to his present office and his efficient record, both as deputy and official, brought his re-election in 1928 without appreciable opposition.

Mr. O'Bannon is a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason, member of Lake Worth country, also a Knights Templar and member of the Loyal Order of Moose. He is an active member of the West Palm Beach American Legion; president of the Florida Tax Collectors Association and a member of the Florida Citizens Finance and Taxation Committee.

In 1929 Mr. O'Bannon was elected to Miss Anna Lee Crow of West Palm Beach, and two sons have served in the union. Roy Almarino O'Bannon, Jr., aged six, and John Horatio O'Bannon, aged three. These boys are rapidly enjoying the admirable qualities in their father and the kindness and hospitality of their mother.

Palm Beach county appreciates old Ireland's contribution to her wealth, as exemplified in Roy O'Bannon.

"Please discontinue the paper as I have disposed of my land in the Everglades. Have appreciated the paper."—C. E. Faulkner, Lake Worth.

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## MAINE DENTIST PREFERS FLORIDA

It's a long way from the sunny sands of Florida, but Dr. W. H. Sanborn of West Palm Beach and Miami, says that the trip is worth the making.

Dr. Sanborn was born in Portland, Maine in 1893, educated in the public schools of his native city, Hebron Academy, University of Pennsylvania and received his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery at the Northwestern University, Chicago in 1916.

Upon graduation, Dr. Sanborn returned to his native city and practiced until 1924 when he moved to Miami and now has offices at Miami and in West Palm Beach in the Madison Building, corner of Poinsettia avenue and Clematis street. He specializes in bridge work, plates and painless extractions.

Dr. Sanborn is a 32 degree Mason, S. R.; a Shriner, Past Exalted Ruler of the Elks, and a member of the Shrine Club of

West Palm Beach. He is genial, courteous and efficient in his work which is of high quality and very reasonable in cost. He is interested in the success of the Everglades and intends to visit the Everglades Park and Bean Carnival.

## IOWA FARMER FINDS IDEAL IN EVERGLADES

Willard G. Smith, our progressive county commissioner and veteran truck grower, was born in Storm Lake, Iowa. He lived there until he was 20 years old, when he moved to Oklahoma, locating near Oklahoma City, where he homesteaded and tried farming for a livelihood for 10 years. He came to Arcadia in 1911, where he was engaged in general contracting and the auto and garage business. He was the first Chevrolet dealer south of Tampa. In 1919 he sold out his various enterprises at Arcadia and moved to the muck country at Moore Haven, Mr.

Smith was distributor of Moline tractors and plows and was also a large truck farmer there. It was while living there that he heard about the large vegetable crops that were grown in mid-winter on East Beach and were never hurt by frost. In the year of 1921 he moved to Pahokee and bought a truck farm and a home site on the ridge.

Mr. Smith has under construction and nearly completed one of the most modern and up to date home around the lake. Mr. Smith is a believer in good roads; he helped build Chambers Highway and most of the roads in the muck country. He is also a member of the state high way from Kalamazoo river through Arcadia. During the construction of the Florida East Coast railroad he had a large contract for their grade from Pahokee to Belle Glade. He also helped build the Belle Glade-Pahokee road. He is a booster and believer in better roads, evidence is being shown by the muck roads he has built since becoming county commissioner.

In 1927 Mr. Smith was married to Miss Evelyn Willey, formerly of Pueblo, Colorado, who at that time was a teacher in the school at Pahokee. Mrs. Smith is an active member of the Women's Club. She was at one time president of the club and is always willing to help for the betterment of the social life in the lake territory.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith are proud parents of a handsome 15-month-old son, who he destined to become an Everglades booster like his dad.

## MOUNTAINOUS MAN FROM MOUNTAINS

The Old North State has the tallest mountain east of the Rockies on the North American continent and she produces, as the average, the tallest man. They are comparable to the full man of the west, but grander, like their native oak. Another pertinent observation is that they are as sturdy in character and persistence as the oak in body. The reasons for this might be found in the mountain air, water and sunbaths it contains and in the even the young feel boxes are forced to take when they are in the mountains.

A. R. Roy Lang of Pahokee, was born in the Old North State near Asheville.

ville, on March 25, 1881 of native North Carolina parents. The family is of Scotch-Irish origin, and Mr. Rice does not believe his ancestry. He is rugged, sturdy, frank, and honest. It looks like the man. His friends are as numerous as his acquaintances. He is a common school education in the little log school house near his birthplace and came to Sanford, Fla., during his teen years to get a better and better education.

He came to East Beach with R. A. Lang and in the light section 18 on the lake shore near the site of the Pahokee school. For a number of years he was employed by the school and later sought out fifty acres adjoining the school and sold down permanently to growing beans and mixed vegetables. In 1919, Miss Frances Hughes of Kentucky, married him with her hand and heart and has presented him with two fine children, Katherine, aged ten and Edwin, aged seven. It seemed odd to ask Mr. Rice about health conditions for the proof of the Scotch-Irish of the Pahokee section is demonstrated in his every feature, but a answer to the local question he said that his experience proves that it is the healthiest spot in the world and that his family is additional proof.

Mr. Rice is affiliated with the Methodist church but is not a "member" belonging to no order. He is convinced of the permanence of the Everglades and he is forward to the completion of the government work around the lake as the final reclamation step. He has insisted on Mr. Rice going back to North Carolina on a vacation, but she refused to give to his pleadings, she prefer to remain at Pahokee winter and summer. That's enough.

## TWICE ELECTED PAHOKEE MAYOR

To be elected mayor of a cantankerous Florida town is not unusual and may be an accolade or done to defeat some one else rather than to elect an official. To be elected twice in succession is undeniably evidence that the mayor made good during his first term and that the people are satisfied with their officer. This is what happened to Tom W. J. Larrimore, the second mayor of Pahokee. He filled a part of an unexpired term by appointment, ran for the full term, was elected and then, not having enough punishment, tried again and succeeded.

Mr. Larrimore was born in Pennsylvania, South Carolina in 1869 of native of his state. His mother having been a Miss Evans, a name common in southern and the family is of French origin, and came through Scotland, to the United States probably with the fugitives who were driven from France by religious fanatics.

When he was five years of age, his parents moved to Pahokee, only Georgia, where his father continued his work as a farm operator. Having cleaned out the muck stores in Bullock county, Mr. Larrimore moved to St. Johns county, Florida, near St. Augustine in 1890, where he farmed, and operated a turpentine plantation and began merchandising. He owned stores at Tappan, Camden and in 1911 moved to Pahokee to educate his sons at his very fine industrial school located there. During the war he continued his work as a farm operator and moved again to Moore Haven and opened a store and was burned out in 1922. Moving back to the advantages of the eastern shore of Lake Okechobee, came to Pahokee in 1922 and has remained satisfied that he has found the ultimate and will not move again.

Mr. Larrimore was self educated, but his schooling due to the unsettled and impoverished condition of the south after the civil war. He is a Mason member of the Scotch-Irish church is married and has five boys, J. Henry, bookkeeper for the Dependable Supply Co., Pahokee; DeVane, Earl, Thomas and Arthur who are in school.

As mayor and as a citizen he is deeply interested in the advancement of his adopted home and plans to take advantage of the muck made by other cities in Florida and put in permanent improvements while labor and money can be had at reasonable prices. His Scotch strain, however, causes him to scrutinize any proposition before the city and play for the last penny due. The town is in safe hands under the administration, is the conclusion one reaches after talking with the mayor.

## CANAL OUTLET MAY BE HELPED BY NEW BRIDGE

Opportunity to tear out the spillway in West Palm Beach canal and make larger outlet for water is promised by the progress on State Road No. 4 bridge at Olive street. The spillway holds canal water four feet above sea level and aids in backing waters up in the canal and overflowing farm lands.

## THIS LEGAL MIND IS HARD TO SELL

Lawyers are naturally and by training suspicious characters, even if not suspicious ones, they have got to be shown not once, but many times and from every possible viewpoint. There is always a chance for an opponent to slip in through a gateway that has not been closed and the case is lost.

H. Roy Lang of Pahokee, is a lawyer and a good one for he came from Georgia where members of his profession for years have had little to do but study their cases and read opinions. The confidence he has developed their astuteness to

the nth degree and many of the best ones, despairing of finding opportunities in their native state, have migrated to Florida. H. Roy Lang was one of this latter class.

He was born in Brunswick, Ga. on May 1, 1884 of native Georgia parents and received his elementary education in the public schools of his city. He graduated at Mercer University, Macon, with the degree of LL. B. in the class of 1911, returned to his home and practiced there until 1923 when he moved to St. Mary, Florida, near Fernandina. Pursuing his studies, he obtained admission to studies in all courts, state and federal and became member of the county school board of Nassau county and chairman of the Democratic executive committee.

Attracted by reports of great activity in real estate in South Florida, he moved to Sarasota in 1925 and practiced there until 1929. The deflation of the real

estate boom caused legal business to slump and Mr. Lang began to seek greener fields. An acquaintance told him in casual conversation about the latest spot in Florida, the East Beach of Lake Okechobee and he came to see. One visit did not satisfy him and he came again and again and yet stuck. His legal mind had satisfied itself that all the evidence supported the claims that had been made for the upper Everglades and he settled in Pahokee in June

1929. Today, he is town clerk, justice of the peace and practices his profession. While he did not indicate that he had as yet turned to the soil, it's a hundred to one shot that he will be farming ere many suns have risen and set. Mr. Lang has two children, Winifred and J. Spencer. He is an Odd Fellow and has been elected to take Masonic degrees. He is confirmed in his determination to make Pahokee his permanent home, "stark or swim, live or die, survive or perish."

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## LOOKS LIKE A BOY BUT IS A REAL MAN

The writer of these sketches got a real thrill when he called on Jake Boyd, engineer for Palm Beach County. Never before having met this gentleman, he wondered that Mr. Boyd was a middle-aged, hard bodied, heavy muscled individual and found a youthful appearing, quiet man busy with the affairs of his office.

Another thrill came when investigation divulged that Mr. Boyd and the writer are natives of the same state, Alabama, and that they received their college education in the same school, under the same professors—the State Normal College at Troy, Ala. While the writer is old enough to be Mr. Boyd's father, we became "mad-dies" instantly and move mutual

fidelity to the rehabilitation of Palm Beach county, our adopted home.

Jake Boyd was born at Troy, Ala., in 1900, a son of Dr. H. J. Boyd and Miss Betty Morrish. Those who know, know that these are the first families of the South in its determination to enforce the strict letter of the Constitution of the United States. He was educated in the public schools of his native city, the Normal College, graduated at the Federal Military Academy in 1917, received his Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering at Auburn Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Ala., in 1921 and joined the highway department of Georgia immediately, building roads around LaGrange. Then he engaged in road and bridge building under the highway department of Alabama and North Carolina and returned to Troy in 1925 and passed his day.

Having known Alce Taylor, well

and favorably known throughout Palm Beach county, our adopted home, in 1925 and accepted the position of city engineer at Palm Beach, which he held until he was made county engineer in 1928. The fact that he has held this position for four years, and four tough years, is a measure of his ability and popularity.

At the age of 18, he enlisted in the U. S. Army and had training at Fort Sheridan, Ill., Camp Officers Training School, Arlington, and was promoted to second lieutenant in 1917. He was married at Washington, D. C., in 1921, to a Miss, Miss E. E. and Miss Temple, member of the American Legion, Rotary Club and Junior Order of the Moose of West Palm Beach. He is a member of the Florida Engineers' Society, the American Society of Civil Engineers and the Florida Engineers' Society of the Palm Beach chapter.

Don't let this man's youthful appearance fool you, he knows,

best this region during the thirteen years he has resided here.

Dr. Boyd has been president of the Board of Trustees since 1925 was the first county commissioner from the Everglades area of Palm Beach county, organized the Palm Beach Drainage District, is a member of the newly created Everglades Drainage Board, one of the directors and owners of the Palm Lake Farms Company, the which owns a thousand acres in what was the best of Polk County, recently worth 100,000. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, South Palm Beach, and the Baptist Church of the same name. He is a member of the Baptist Church of the same name. He is a member of the Baptist Church of the same name.

## DENTIST WAS EARLY SETTLER IN 'GLADES

Dr. L. W. Armstrong, Palmetto's popular and progressive dentist, was born and reared in the city of Frederickburg, Ind., where he attended and finished high school, graduating from high school he then entered the St. Louis University School of Dentistry. After finishing college he practiced in St. Louis for three years. The lure of Florida was so great that he decided to come down and set his lot with us. After coming to Florida and looking the entire state over he located in the city of Fort Pierce, where he practiced for three and a half years, and upon an excursion trip around Lake Okechobee he decided in 1915 to locate on "East Beach, where is now Palmetto. He practiced his profession here and farmed on a large scale for three years.

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Dr. W. H. Lair, president of the Lake Worth Drainage District, and one of the first citizens of the community, was born at Palmy, Tenn., in 1870. He was educated in the public schools of his native city, the Normal College, graduated at the Federal Military Academy in 1917, received his Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering at Auburn Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Ala., in 1921 and joined the highway department of Georgia immediately, building roads around LaGrange. Then he engaged in road and bridge building under the highway department of Alabama and North Carolina and returned to Troy in 1925 and passed his day.

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## INDEPENDENT POPULATION

The population of Indian town, in Marion county, is reported as 349 under the 1920 census. Indian town is on the Seaboard railroad, a mile north of St. Lucie canal.

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This company has done nothing during the past 20 years more important than promote the interests of the Everglades, and the officials always appreciate the opportunity to co-operate with those who are on the forefront of the battle for its reclamation.

**GEO. F. BENSEL,**  
SECRETARY  
West Palm Beach, Fla.





## NATIVE FLORIDIAN NOW SUGAR EXPERT

When a contest arises between Cuba, Mexico or any other sugar producing section and the upper Everglades for the services of experts in the producing of the sweet necessity, the upper Everglades, by reason of its greater opportunities for service and success.

This statement is proven by the fact that W. P. Jerigan, Jr., now assistant manager of the Canal Point division of the Southern Sugar Company, lived for three years in Cuba as chief chemist for the Jaquayal Sugar Central, had offers to go to Mexico and other localities, but selected the upper Everglades as the site of his permanent home.

Mr. Jerigan was born at Lake City, Fla., on Dec. 21, 1899 and is therefore only thirty-one years of age. Notwithstanding his youth, he was chemist at Muscle Shoals for one year investigating the possibility of producing nitrogen from the air; three years as chief chemist at the sugar central above mentioned and eight years as chemist and executive official of the sugar companies in the Everglades. He is a son of W. P. Jerigan, Sr., and his mother was Miss Margarette Person of Lee county, Ala., one of the first families of that state. His education was had at Auburn, Ala., Randolph-Macon College, Va., and he obtained his bachelor of science degree at the University of Florida with the class of 1918. After graduation, he accepted a position with the United States government at Muscle Shoals, held it for one year and then went to the Jaquayal Central about three hundred miles east of Havana as chief chemist. The Jaquayal Central is one of the largest on the island. When Mr.

F. E. Bryant and associates organized the Florida Sugar & Food products company and built the first sugar mill in the Everglades, they went to the greatest sugar producing company in the world for a chemist and expert in the line and selected Mr. Jerigan. He has been with the parent company and its successor, the Southern Sugar Company since 1922 and has no intention of making a change.

From 1922 to 1926, in addition to his professional duties, he was field superintendent of the Canal Point plantation and in 1926 was made assistant manager of the Canal Point division.

Mr. Jerigan is a Phi Kappa Phi, Woodman of the World, Rho-tarian, one of the organizers and a director of the South Florida Free Roads Association designed to make Conners Highway a free road, and is affiliated with the Methodist church. He was married to Miss Amanda Fulson of Monticello, Fla., in 1928.

As a proof of Mr. Jerigan's faith in the ultimate success of the upper Everglades area and his permanency as a producer of wealth, he says that he has lived at Canal Point through six floods and four hurricanes and is still here. Health conditions are as perfect as can be desired, and he does not recall a case of fever of any kind which had its origin in the upper Everglades. Climatic conditions are ideal and the class of people who are attracted to the section along the coast in the country.

As to agencies which will hasten stabilization, Mr. Jerigan says that co-ordination of state, federal and local activities in water control and navigation is the most important. The interest shown by the national government in recommending a nine million dollar canal and navigation project in Lake Okechobee, the St. Lucie canal and the Caloosahatchee river increases the aggregate value of the familiar with conditions can estimate.

## BUSINESS MAN SEEKS CLERKSHIP

When business men, who have made good in their private affairs offer themselves for public service, the country is the up-grade. Such a man is J. R. Duggan, the present city clerk of West Palm Beach.

Mr. Duggan was born at Dublin, Georgia, in 1880, his father being R. M. Duggan, and his mother, Miss Madie Clements, both natives of Georgia.

Mr. Duggan received his elementary education in the schools of Dublin but had no college degree, necessity requiring that he seek employment on graduation from high school. At the age of nineteen, he secured the position as shipping clerk with Armour & Company; then became money order clerk for Southern Express Company, and advanced to messenger between Atlanta and Savannah; assistant agent and auditor, then came to Jacksonville as rate clerk in 1909. Ten months afterwards he was promoted to Superintendent of Deliveries, which place he held for four years, until he entered the produce business in Jacksonville in 1913 for himself and continued until 1924 when he came to West Palm Beach.

Mr. Duggan is a real estate broker in the real estate business. On May 21, 1927, he was appointed City Clerk of West Palm Beach and was promoted to City Clerk in October 1927. His efficient and forward for economy has raised him very high in the estimate of his employers. He is a member of the Baptist church, a Mason, member Scottish Rite, Jacksonville, and of the Junior Chamber of Commerce of West Palm Beach.

Mr. Duggan married Miss Ozella Booth, native of Alabama, but a resident of Florida since the age of two. They have three children: J. Roy, Jr., age 13; Booth M., 11; and Shirley Wilcox, age 6.

Mr. Duggan is a candidate for the nomination of Clerk of the Criminal Court of Palm Beach county in the Democratic primary to be held on June 6th, and if the people the county want efficiency and character in this office they can do no better than nominate and elect Mr. Duggan. He is a staunch friend of the Everglades country and whenever his duties permit, he spends much of his time in this section. The lure of growing crops and fishing being among the strong attractions.

Judge R. L. HORSMAN

Judge R. L. Horsman, prominent Lake Worth business man, has announced that he is a candidate for the office of clerk of the criminal court of record, subject to the Democratic primary, June 3. While it is the first time Judge Horsman has sought a county political office in this state, he has seen many years of public service. He served as assistant secretary of state in Missouri, where he was born, and also held the offices of

deputy clerk and clerk of the circuit court. He was also a member of the city council of Salem, Mo., his home town.

He was municipal judge of Lake Worth several years and a member of the board of commissioners that constructed the Lake Worth inlet at Boynton in 1925 and 1926.

Judge Horsman has been a resident of the county fourteen years. He was the organizer and builder of the Southern Bell Telephone Company. He owns considerable land in the Everglades section, and was farming near Miami looks at the time of the hurricane in 1925.

Mr. Horsman studied law while he was a clerk of the court in Missouri and was admitted to the Missouri state bar. He is also a licensed lawyer in this state, although he has never practiced his profession in Florida, being engaged in other lines of business.

He has been prominent in Democratic circles in this county since his first year of residence here. He is a member of the Lake Worth Elks lodge, Modern Woodmen and Independent Order of Odd-Fellows.

GROCERY STORE TO COME

The room once occupied by Bob Wagner's barber shop at Canal Point has been rented by an out-of-town man who will open a grocery store about the middle of next month.

## INLOW GAVE A LEG FOR HIS COUNTRY

If one has a hankering for sweets and one's dietary forbids keep away from G. C. Inlow's Bakery in Pahokee. The display of good things there just naturally makes a fellow's mouth water and reminds him of the little pickaninny who held a half eaten watermelon in his lap when asked if he had too muchmelon, replied: "No, sir, not enough sugar!"

G. C. Inlow was born on April 4, 1854 at Iuka, Miss., his mother having been Miss Ella White of Autauga County, Ala. The family is of Anglo-Saxon extraction but has been in the United States since before the revolution. His father farmed in Mississippi and Alabama until he removed to Miami in 1908.

Mr. Inlow was educated in the common schools of Alabama and had no college education. He followed his father's occupation until the United States entered the World War when he enlisted in the Florida National Guard, Company M at Miami in 1917 and was sent to Camp Wheeler for training, where he remained until June, 1918 when his outfit was transferred to Camp Merritt and almost immediately sent to France as Company A, 162 Infantry, 26th (Yankee) Division. His division landed at Brest and after twenty-four hours rest, was rushed to the front at Chateau-Thierry where they held to check the German war juggernaut which was rolling onto Paris. He was wounded in his first engagement and his right leg was

amputated on July 22nd, 1918 to save his life. When able to travel, he was returned to America where he landed November 18, the first wounded soldier to reach Miami. He was honorably discharged on the 29th of February, 1919 and spent four years in government hospitals at Key West, Atlanta and in the west seeking health.

In May 1927, he arrived at Canal Point and opened a bakery at Pahokee with \$500 borrowed on government insurance. Now he employs six helpers regularly, estimates his business as worth \$12,000 and supplies the entire East Beach with such delicious breads and pastries as would make a

French chef go mad with envy. He married Miss Oddie May Huskey of Miami; is one of the most active members of East Beach Post No. 90, American Legion and is an asset to his community. When asked about the health conditions at Pahokee, he said that he had traveled through twenty-three states in search of health and that he had found it better in Pahokee than anywhere else.

It is a joy to know a man like unto G. C. Inlow. His persistence, do it or die in trying, is a quality so scarce that when found one gets a thrill which inspires to heroic deeds and higher aspirations.

## R. A. GRAY Secretary of State

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## Flood Control

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States government aid in the work on the theory that the waters of Lake Okechobee and its main tributaries and outlets are navigable and, therefore, under the control of the government, and appointed Governor Carlton, Howard Selby of West Palm Beach, and Glenn H. Curtiss of Miami to visit it known as the Washington committee, with full authority to use all ethical means to enlist government aid.

This committee brought the conditions to the attention of congress. President Hoover had made a tour of the Everglades subsequent to his election and previous to his inauguration, during which he committed himself to the maintenance purpose of preventing loss of life and property in the future by flood.

After meeting and surmounting such obstacles as the fruit fly scandal, charges of attempting to open the "pork" barrel and the demand for consideration by members of congress for all projects of the United States to projects of their own, and the failure of the United States board of army engineers to give full approval to the project from a navigation standpoint, the Washington committee succeeded in having a project involving the expenditure of about ten million dollars incorporated in the omnibus rivers and harbors bill, with the provision that two-thirds of this amount would be furnished by the federal government and one-third by the local taxing districts. This omnibus bill has been passed by the house of representatives and referred to the commerce committee of the U. S. Senate, of which Senator Duncan, U. Fletcher is a member.

The bill has the endorsement of President Hoover, and in view of the fact that it is an omnibus bill covering projects in all sections of the United States, it is believed that the bill will be passed in due course. So much for the legislative status.

The board of Army Engineers in their report on the Okechobee project said that the navigation value of the St. Lucie Canal-Lake Okechobee-Cypress-Swamp river waterway is \$4,000,000 and that the board did not recommend it. In view of the fact that flood control of the Lake Okechobee is a local project, the Washington committee concluded after study of the situation, that it

would be impossible to get a favorable report from the flood control committee of the house of representatives, and hence the project was submitted through the rivers and harbors committee.

The project itself contemplates deepening of the St. Lucie Canal, cutting a channel around the eastern and southern shores of Lake Okechobee with a minimum depth of six feet, constructing a rock-faced 21-foot levee on the outside of the channel, and improving and deepening the St. Johns-Sarasota river to a depth of six feet throughout its course, thus accomplishing flood control as a by-product of the improvement of navigation.

Actual work on this project should begin very soon after the bill becomes a law, and while it may require several years to complete, the very fact that the work is under way will stimulate optimism throughout the entire Everglades and restore confidence which has been destroyed by catastrophes of the past five years. This will stimulate also the payment of taxes, future development of lands in the vicinity of the Everglades and bring many thousands of new people to the territory.

When asked about his part in this work, Captain Duff smiled slightly and refused to answer, saying that he preferred that those who might be interested get their information from the official record, rather than from any statement which he might make. Again the idiosyncrasy of a silent and busy man.

## MINING ENGINEER IS GLADES FARMER

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1916 but resigned during 1917 and came back to the Everglades. During the World War he made ammunition for the Allies, returning to the Everglades after the Armistice. Except for short vacation trips, he has been here continuously since. Farming on East Beach between Broom Point and Canal Point where land was dry enough. He owned the first tractor, the first automobile and was one of the first cowboys of Pahokee of which he is now one of the organizers and is president of Pelican Lake Farm, Inc., owning

a thousand acres in the former bed of Pelican Lake, worth potentially one million dollars. The corporation is putting its drainage and irrigation works, protecting its lands from floods, drought, and cold, and not borrowing a dollar to finance the works. Mr. Stuckey produces from 125 to 150 carloads of vegetables a year on his individual farms. He was kept by the organizers and the temporary president of the South Western Free Roads Association, subject to make Commers Highway a free road; district steward of the St. Johns church; past master, Masonic lodge; member, Mahi Tennis Club; A.A.O.M.S.; Miami Old Fellow and member Victor Encampment, Miami, and a member of the Rotary Club of Pahokee.

Since settling in the Everglades, Mr. Stuckey, accompanied by his wife and his daughters, Elizabeth and four sons, has traveled in both east and west, visiting in Cuba, Canada, Mexico, California and practically every state of the Union looking for a better place than his adopted home and failed to find it. Can more be said for the Everglades? Here, he says, health, social and religious conditions are all that could be desired, money making opportunities limited only by the energy and industry of man and that he has no time to sell. He further says that the only thing needed for perfection is water control and the cooperation of the United States, and Florida will shortly accomplish that. Truly, a first citizen.

## THE LAKE NORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT

The Lake North Drainage District comprises 125,000 acres of land in the southeasterly part of Palm Beach county immediately contiguous to the coastal strip of West Palm Beach to Broom Point. The area includes about 15,000 acres of muck land, a large portion consisting of rich sandy loam soil underlain by hard and shellwork. The district's plan of reclamation includes about 500 miles of canals and levees, numerous water control gates and two pumping plants. It has been found that successful reclamation in this Florida requires complete water control and facilities for checking runoff and restoring seepage and evaporation losses when necessary and that the district's original plan is being improved by pumps for that purpose.

The district has a fleet of seed drag line excavators and one Roata dredger used in maintenance and improvement work, and substantial progress has been made during the past six years in providing the facilities and service essential to successful farming. Two weed cutting boats, designed and built by the district, afford an efficient method of combating aquatic growth in the canals and have meant one of the most successful maintenance problems is being solved.

The Lake North Drainage District has complete facilities for observing and keeping a record of moisture conditions. Daily readings of precipitation are obtained from several rain gauges located at various points, and canals sited at a number of strategic points are also observed and recorded every day. Storm conditions are anticipated as far as possible, and the gates are regulated at all times in accordance with the best judgment of the organization.

Based upon a complete knowledge of conditions throughout the area, the district maintains field offices and maintenance headquarters at Boynton in addition to the business office at West Palm Beach. As the result of improved water control conditions and relative freedom from frost, farming in the district has increased very substantially during the past three years, and during the past winter season approximately 11,000 acres were being utilized. The excellent soils found in the district, the proximity to centers of population and the accessibility of considerable areas at the present time are interesting not only to truck growers who appreciate the many advantages, but those who prefer to engage in driving, poultry, horticulture and various other activities, the success of which is dependent upon proximity to local markets, and both rail and water transportation.

There has been an increasing interest in district lands during the past few years, a considerable acreage having been purchased for farming purposes, and land values have increased accordingly. More recent purchasers are already engaged in the clearing and reclamation of land and the making of permanent improvements, and it is certain that a further substantial increase in all phases of farm activity will take place during the coming year.

## JUDGE RAISES CIRCS

R. C. Verbeke, county judge of Glades county, is moving his black of Miami home. Last week he sold off 264 acres to George Meyers, who lives in Dalton district.

## Cracker Memories

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Eight grade or what will you one of his prized possessions today is a picture of that little pig near school house on the frontier.

During the summer months he rode herd with his father and brothers. By the time he had finished the grammar grade, one of his sisters had married and moved to West Palm Beach, so he stayed with her and attended high school in his brother-in-law was W. W. Hendrickson, nephew of Captain B. V. Hendrickson, well-known Florida pioneer. Young Hendrickson was town marshal of West Palm Beach. Also the entire police force. And tax collector. Years later, Hendrickson was elected judge at Miami and met his death at the hands of a member of the John Ashley gang in a jail break.

The town hall stood on the site of the present jail office quarters above, jail below. The school house was located on the southeast corner of what is now in Glenville and Dixie. When a new school house was built on the hill at the head of Sapodilla and Hialeah streets (the middle building in the present group of three) the old building was converted into a courthouse and was used as such until the present courthouse was built. It was then sold by the county to Sidney Madison, Palm Beach hotel man, and his associates.

West Palm Beach was not much in those days. There was only one business street, with a narrow sidewalk run down the center. Wood frame, century, now in the heart of town, was very out in the country. There were no sleepers, no telephones, no street lights, no automobiles, no free bridge across the lake. The postoffice was located on Narcissus street, in the rear of the old Palms hotel, that has gone the way of so many of the early buildings.

Mizzell is one of the few young men hereabouts who has seen the two disastrous fires at the famous crookers house, two years ago. To see the first one, Mizzell went across the lake in a sail boat. When the hotel caught fire the second time, only a few years ago, Mizzell is one of the few young men who stepped on the bridge over the man-made road in the town of Palm Beach, arriving in time to see the entire bridge burn down. The flames of the fire men when the fire swept across

the island to the lake-front building.

Election day, in those early times, was a holiday. Saloons, which flourished in West Palm Beach then, were closed when the voters gathered from miles around to select their officials. Mizzell cast his first vote for the late Captain George B. Baker, father of the present sheriff, riding to the polls on horseback. Captain Baker was the first sheriff of Palm Beach county and held the job until he died, his son Bob succeeding him.

Pioneer citizens of Florida have always shown a strong interest in education, and so it was with the Platt family. Mizzell, the youngest of seven children, went from high school to Southern college, a Methodist institution, then located at Southland, now at Lake Wales. He was in school there from 1910 to 1913, playing on the first football team of the college. He was a three-letter man, winning honors in football, basketball and baseball.

Mizzell's father, now nearing 80, saw four wars come and go without being able to take part in any of them. In the Seminole and Civil wars he was too young; in the Spanish-American and World wars he was too old to bear arms. The youngest son, however, had better luck. Mizzell enlisted with Company L, 124th infantry, at West Palm Beach, and did his bit in the scrap between the nations.

He saw thirteen months' service in the United States and six months on the battle fronts overseas. He belongs to the West Palm Beach Post, American Legion, and the "40 and 8." Incidentally, he is also a 32nd degree Mason.

When Mizzell returned from the war he found many improvements and changes in West Palm Beach, but he had to wrestle with the same problem that confronted every returned soldier—that of making a living. And it has held his attention through the years. He is married and has three children.

"Cracker memories? Got the picture of Palm Beach county in your mind as it is today, and then, one told you the story that Deputy Sheriff Morris Johnson, Stuart, once told me, and you'll get a good idea of how wild and undeveloped it was in the old days," said Platt.

"When this section was all dade county, the county seat was at Jumo, at the head of the lake. John and another fellow were sitting in the little courthouse one day, looking out the window, and they saw a young deer stray onto the ground and start nibbling the

leaves. John's companion grabbed his gun and shot the deer from the window. You don't see young deer straying onto the courthouse grounds in West Palm Beach today, do you? Not that kind, anyway."

Johns? He was the deputy that guarded the bridge over the east fork of the St. Lucie when the Ashley gang was on the rampage hiding out in the woods. A few days after that man hunt, he took sick and died. Never lived to see the end of the famous Ashley gang."

Memories of the old days? Cracker memories!

## HALF HOLIDAYS

Merchants at Moore Hill, closed Thursday afternoon, starting the half-holiday system for the summer.

## ANISH EXTRA SESSION

Because schools in Glades county are closing on account of lack of funds, the Woman's Club of Moore Haven has asked that a special session of the legislature be held to find revenue for schools.

FRIEDLANDER STORE  
A stock of merchandise was placed in the old barber shop at Canal Point Saturday by the Friedlander company, which has stores in middle Florida, but Georgia. The goods were to have been opened at Pahokee, but a store room there that had been arranged for could not be had. The stock is to be moved away soon.

## FRANK FRIEND IS RIGHTLY NAMED

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dred laborer. He is affiliated with the Methodist church.

He married Miss Edna Brent of Colorado and they have three children, Wilma, Ruth and Lewis. All are in life line of health and have been since living in the Everglades which, according to Mr. Friend is a beautiful as any spot on the world and his professional training and experience makes him an authority.

Mr. Friend estimates that the year in and year out value of the products of the East Beach trucking lands is \$250 per acre and he knows for he employs from 60 to 75 laborers on his individual farms producing beans, tomatoes and mixed vegetables.

His first interest, however, is his team. It is in the developing period and he wants the development to be right. The council is considering water works, sewers, sidewalks, street paving and a paid fire department; but the ones are careful about costs. They are not going to sell the town to bond buyers for a song. Yes, Frank Friend is truly a friend to Pahokee and will remain so.

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## HERE IS A CANNY SCOT WHO GIVES

Wonders never cease and this wonder is that a canny Scotchman has been found who gives both his time and substance to his fellow-man without asking for a consideration, even though he gets plenty. George C. McLarty has money but he does not need the money. Uncle Sam pays him to be postmaster at Pahokee, and could easily move if he were not postmaster, but gives his time and himself to the job in order that his neighbors may have efficient service. That's the gospel truth, for he said so himself and whoever doubts George McLarty's word will find that he has a big bit of Irish in him and knows how to wield a shillelagh.

But seriously speaking, and Dame Nature was mighty serious when it occurred, George C. was born at Joppe, Ala., in 1892 which makes him a "yaller-hammer," same as the writer heretofore. His father was Dr. George W. McLarty and his mother, Miss Sallie Vaphrey of Douglasville, Ga. George had two years in Normal College after finishing the 10th grade in public school and came to Florida. While on a visit to Titusville, Fla., he heard wild tales of gold gathering around the shores of Lake Okechobee and his Scotch blood got hot, something that seldom happens, and he spent some of his hundred shillings to prove the tales idle dreams. He not only found the tales true and he found Miss Juanita Elliott, a lassie from wild and woolly Texas, waiting for a bonnie true Scotchman to come and know for her a bag-pipe lyric. They were married at Pahokee in 1925 and Betty Jean and Jean came along three years ago and seven months ago respectively to find out what it is all about. They are finding out rapidly and gloriously. Whether hilariously, the writer knows not; but he is certain that they are not wasting any breath doing it.

But seriously again, George McLarty has been postmaster at Pahokee during eight years in spite of Republican administrations and, certainly, he did not buy the office. Receipts at Pahokee during 1922 for stamps and fees amounted to \$850; in 1923, \$3,500. Money orders purchased in 1922, before banking was convenient, aggregated \$30,000; in 1923, \$80,000. Boxes in 1922 numbered 116; now, 260. There's the growth picture of Pahokee in one sentence. And it is unquestionable for McLarty swore to them and a Scotchman is very careful about swearing unless he's mad.

When asked what his wealth amounts to, George froze up; but

then grinned and gave a list in detail "under the fifth libation," and the writer is bound forever to secrecy. The figures were amazing! That's enough.

George is a past master of his blue lodge, F. & A. M.; Knights Templar, Crestview Commandery; and was in France nine months, saw service at San Mihel and Meuse-Argonne and was discharged with the thanks of his country on March 13th, 1919. I forgot to ask about his church affiliations, but assume that he is a Presbyterian even though he may be a member of the Methodist church. How far wrong, George? Of course, he is a Legionnaire and a live one at that. The Glades needs more George McLartys.

## ANOTHER RESIDENT IS RIGHTLY NAMED

There are many seekers of gold in the world, and not a few named "Gold" or "Gold" or "Gold" meaning the same thing, the difference depending on the origin of the family, but it is rare to find a man named Gold who has a heart of gold, and even though he seeks gold, does not do so for the gold itself but for the good it will do.

Such a man is Herman Gold, a leading merchant, hatter and vegetable grower of Pahokee. He radiates good fellowship and although a new resident of Pahokee, having come here first on a Sunday in May, 1928; everybody knows, respects and, if it did not sound a bit too sentimental, loves this native of Hungary who was born in Budapest, Hungary, 1879, was brought to New York City at the age of nine years, picked up a little English in the public schools, went to work in a cigar factory at the age of 12, and sold papers during rest hours; took charge of the Robert Burns Cigar factory at 21 with 1,100 employees and held the job for fifteen years when he entered the mercantile business in New York, Astoria and Perth Amboy, N. J., on his own account. Hearing of the amazing inflation of the bubble in Florida in 1925 through an acquaintance, he came, brought his roll, which was not a small one, invested and became one of the casualties of the "dance of millions." He was badly crippled, but being one of the men who never give up even at the last ditch, he opened, or rather took over a small business in West Palm Beach and went back to the counter. In May 1928, Rev. Mr. Taylor, pastor of the Baptist church of Pahokee, came to his

store for a suit. Mr. Taylor met Mr. Gold and their respect was mutual. Mr. Gold heard first of the marvelous richness of the Cusard Apple land, went out on a Sunday, saw, bought a lot on Monday, started building within three months, and the Gold block on the best corner of Pahokee is the result.

Mr. Gold attends store with the assistance of his son-in-law, A. Dobrow and the charming company of his daughter, Ruth, now Mrs. Dobrow; farms a bit on the side, and gives much of his time to his chosen city. His ancestors were farmers. The lure of the soil is his master passion, excepting his family, and he is recognizing

rapidly his losses during the collapse of the boom. In addition to his store and farm, he owns a steam laundry and cleaning business.

Mr. Gold's loyal frau was Miss Rosie Kraus, also a native of Hungary and besides the daughter mentioned, has two sons, Louis, aged seventeen and Jerry, thirteen. He is a Mason, Elk, K. of P. member of the Congregation Beth-El, conservative.

Pahokee is fortunate in having Mr. Gold and family for permanent residents and they say that they are more contented here than anywhere they have ever lived. Some compliment for the East Beach area.

## BENTLEY IS FRIEND TO 'GLADES SECTION

George F. Bense, secretary of the Southern States Land and Timber company, is always a friend to the Everglades. He has been hammering away for the reclamation of this wonderful country for so long that one cannot think of him without the Everglades coming in to the mind. He works day in and day out for the accomplishment of his quarter-

century dream—the materialization of the marvelous resources buried in central South Florida. His work is almost his sole religion; he is one man who lives his religion.

It's true his company owns a great deal of land in the Everglades, but the company is making no effort to sell now, believing that with the work to be done by the United States government and the new drainage board, the lands will bring much more money. So the company is developing on its own account and waiting for the golden day. His congratulations to the promoters of the Everglades Fair appear in this issue.

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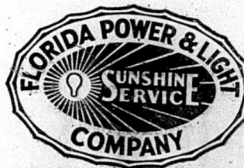
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